

ALMA RECORD.

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Dr. Wm. H. Gray of West Falls, Md., is quite sure that he has at last discovered the secret of perpetual motion, and has constructed a wheel which he thinks will run forever. It derives its motion from the attraction of gravitation, a mechanical movement being placed on the wheel in such a way that the descending side is the heaviest. By the force of its action it keeps the wheel steadily in motion. The wheel is twenty-six inches in diameter by eight inches in thickness, and is mounted on a wooden frame resembling a grindstone frame. The wheel is keyed to a steel axle, which rests on brass bearings. Dr. Gray has had one of the machines at his house working steadily for the past three months. He labored twenty years over his invention.

The opponents of capital punishment will find a convincing argument with which to attack the advocates of that relic of barbarism, in the case of Sproule, the American recently executed in British Columbia for murder. Sproule claimed to be able to prove an alibi, but the one man who could swear to his innocence could not be found, and after repeated failures to secure a commutation of sentence, Sproule was executed. Now that the legalized murder has been committed, the friend who alone could prove the condemned man's innocence has filed papers with the officials at Ottawa proving an alibi for Sproule. The relatives of Sproule have brought suit against the British government for \$50,000 for its action.

The citizens of St. Augustine, Fla., who have already celebrated the 300th anniversary of the landing of Ponce de Leon, were so pleased with the performance that they are going to take advantage of the uncertainty as to the year or the place of the event, and will land Ponce again this year. They propose for this occasion to utilize the Apache Indians confined at Fort Morton, who will make a savage background for the show, in keeping with the aboriginal conditions of 300 years ago.

The man who framed the original Legal Tender act is still living. His name is E. G. Spaulding of Buffalo. He is nearly 80 years of age. At the breaking out of the war he was a leading member of the Lower House of congress. His famous bill known as the Legal Tender act, was slightly altered before its introduction by Secretary Chase and Mr. Lincoln. The original bill is now in the possession of its author. Mr. Spaulding is a bank president and is worth \$10,000,000.

The Belgian government offers a prize of \$5,000 to be awarded in 1899, to the author of the best work on the progress of electricity in its uses as a motor and for lighting purposes, with all applications that can be made of it for such purposes, and the economy and advantage which its use may offer. The prize is open to all nationalities and the manuscript may be written in English, French, Flemish, German, Italian or Spanish.

It is reported from Blaine, W. T., that Chinamen, opium, liquors and merchandise are being smuggled in large numbers and quantities into the United States from British Columbia, by the way of Point Roberts, the Gulf of Georgia, and the islands of the lower sound or Semishmo Bay. In Watcom county, W. T., the border is entirely unprotected.

A man at Hamilton, O., who talks in his sleep, has applied to the courts for an injunction to restrain his wife from "pumping" him "and thus securing information which leads her to tear handfuls of hair from his head and leave the marks of finger nails on his face." Did it ever occur to him to put an injunction on his jaw or else sleep alone?

Wm. Burkett of Douglas, Ga., "hoped that God would paralyze him if he was lying." He was telling the biggest kind of a lie, and hardly were the words out of his mouth before he was paralyzed. The doctors assert, however, that he would have had the stroke just the same had he been telling the truth. His system was ripe for it.

Boys, ponder well the following statement, when you make the assertion that you have no time to study: The late Truman M. Post of St. Louis, the pioneer of Congregationalism in the west, learned Latin grammar from a book fastened to the handle of his plow when he was a Vermont farm boy.

Mr. Gladstone's birthday gifts included, among other things, a red kerchief for his neck, at least a dozen bottles of his favorite jam, one mutton and three mince pies and a box of pills, the last named from the husband of the woman who forwarded the mutton pie.

The Omaha Bee says the weather is so cold at Douglass, Wyoming, that citizens paint their teeth to keep their noses from freezing.

THE STATE.

ALWAYS WITH US.

Annual Meeting of the Superintendents of the Poor.

The annual convention of the superintendents of the poor and mission association of Michigan was held in Jackson. They were welcomed to the city by Mayor Bennett, and President D. B. Greene of Ypsilanti responded, outlining the work done last year for the poor of Michigan. Take the state altogether, he estimated that 40,000 persons had been aided in the past year, at an average cost of \$14 each. The records do not show any increase in pauperism. Bishop Gillespie, Rev. Dr. Jackson and Supt. French of Lenawee were appointed a committee to draft resolutions on the death of ex Gov. Crosswell who was always a friend to the work. Warden Hatch of the state prison was introduced, and spoke on the subject of prison management. He said that sentence should be left to a board of prison managers. The judges should sentence criminals to a central prison, where they shall serve, and where they shall stay until advanced to another prison, or finally released. He also advocated conditional liberation—a pardon conditioned on good behavior after release. Mrs. Agnes d'Arcambal of Kalamazoo, followed on "Home Industry for Discharged Prisoners." She suggested that a home might be built in Jackson and sustained by the labor of those ex-convicts who accept its shelter who could be employed in light industries, like brush-making, broom making, etc. President Greene also spoke at length on the adoption of some method of caring for liberated prisoners. The papers of Warden Hatch and Mrs. d'Arcambal were endorsed by resolution.

Supt. J. Maxwell of Isabella, asked information regarding the form of indorsement to be given by the convention to the proposed home for ex-convicts. The legislature ought to take hold of the matter and this convention might properly endorse the project and use what influence they possess to stimulate legislative action. On motion a committee, consisting of Messrs. Jeffries of Ingham, Cobb of Kalamazoo, Horn of Wayne and Angel of Ottawa, was appointed to prepare resolutions and a memorial to the legislature on the subject.

Supt. Foster of Coldwater, then described the work of state school at Coldwater. He said he could not tell what to do with them, but the superintendent of the poor ought to know better than send deformed children to the state school.

Mrs. Dewey of Kalamazoo, spoke of the Girls' Home, of which she has charge, regretting that boys are not early trained to habits of usefulness. If they were there would be fewer tramps.

Bishop Gillespie called attention to the need of greater fire protection in poor houses. Rev. Washington Gardner read a paper on "Relations of Intemperance and Poverty" and Rev. Elliott spoke on the "Ideal Relations of the Poor" and Hon. Eugene Pringle on "Self Dependence." Among the prominent persons present at the convention were: Bishop Gillespie, Supt. Foster of the state school; J. J. Wheeler of Saginaw, member of the State Board of Charities; L. C. Storrs of the state board of charities; Miss Fannie H. Ford, stenographer of the Board of Charities; S. S. Dryden of Allegan, secretary of the convention; President Greene, Mrs. Agnes d'Arcambal and many others.

The Agricultural College.
The resources of the agricultural college according to the financial report recently issued, are as follows:
Frame buildings and equipment—\$287,533.73
Trunks from sale of United States lands—201,333.33
Balance due on purchase United States lands—134,234.31
12,342 acres of land—621,214.55
620 acres swamp land grant unsold at \$5.00—4,600.00
Total resources—\$1,449,339.17

The land unsold and the trust fund arising from its sale has come through the act of congress of 1862, granting land for agricultural education. According to the terms of the grant the principal must forever remain undiminished, and the interest can be applied to the purposes of the college. The state takes the fund arising from the sale and pays seven per cent interest. During the past year interest fund amounted to nearly \$10,000, which was applied to the purchase of land amounting to nearly \$10,000 more.

According to the United States law the interest fund cannot be applied to the purchase of buildings or purchase of apparatus, but those expenses must be borne by the state possessing the agricultural college.

Seven hundred and twenty acres of land were sold at original sale during the year, for \$1,200. Of the remaining 124,000 acres, 55,000 are located in the counties of Alcona, Iosco, Oshtemo and Wexford.

The officers of instruction of the college consist of a president, eleven professors, two assistant professors, one instructor and one librarian.

Legislative Committee.

Following is a list of the committees as made up by the presiding officers of both houses of the state legislature:

HOUSE COMMITTEES.
Agricultural College—Weber, Simpson, Kirby, Lincoln, Pierce.
Agriculture—Watts, Cole, Rodgers, Harper, Koss, McKee, Preston.
Drainage—Robinson, R. Dickema, Danon, Bentley, Cady.
Eastern Asylum for insane—McGregor, Brock, Dillon, Wellman, Stuart.
Education—W. W. Williams, Kirby, Thompson, Hoolder, Breen.
Elections—Eldred, Rumsey, McCormick, Powers, Pardoe.
Engraving and Enrollment—Ogg, Williams, W. W. Chappell, Hoaglin, Hooford, Breen.
Federal Relations—Houch, Pierce, Webster, Brock, Powers, Rounville, Perkins, Chamberlain, Ogg, Wellman, Baker S.
Geological Survey—Vickery, Kallander, Bettinger, Dunbar, Vroman.
Harbors—Dougherty, Douglass, Goodrich, Carr, Lester.
Horticulture—Allen, Beecher, Burr, Wellman, Vroman.
Immigration—Tindall, Dillon, Reader, Hoolder, Baumgardner.
Insurance—Cross, Douglass, Bates, O'Keefe, S. Baker.
Ionia Insane Asylum—Burr, Chappell, Kallander, Webster, Killen.
Lumber—Pierce, McKee, Haskins, Allen, McGregor, Baldwin, Pardee.
Judiciary—Dickema, Holt, Hill, Watson, F. H. Harrington, Crocker, Baldwin.
Liquor Traffic—Watson H., Beecher, Chapman, McKee, Preston.
Local Taxation—A. T. Case, Anderson, Haskins, Cady, Killen.
Lumber and Salt—Linton, Kelley, Pettit, Dakin, Wilson.
Manufactures—Green, Lakay, Reader, Bettinger, Wilson.
Michigan Asylum for Insane—Ashton, Haskins, Wood, Hooford, Herring, Vroman, Haskins, Wood, Hooford, Herring, Vroman, Haskins, Wood, Hooford, Herring, Vroman.
Military Affairs—Wood, Baker W. A., Williams T. H., Tindall, Manly.
Mineral and Minerals—Vickery, Douglass, Robinson, J. W.
Municipal Corporations—Bates, Abbott, Makelint, Linton, Oviatt, Rentz, Wellman.
Normal School—Beecher, Watson H., Linton, Robinson, J. W., Washburn.
Northern Asylum for Insane—Cannon, Makelint, Hill, Dougherty, Harper.
Printing—Cole, Oviatt, Anderson, Hooford, Engleman.
Private Schools—Makelint, Case, McMillan, Bentley, Snow.
Public Health—Bardwell, Baker, W. W., Ashton, Lincoln, Vroman.
Public Lands—Robinson, J. W., Thompson, Chapell, Crocker, Washburn.
Railroads—Holt, Green, Mulvey, Makelint, McKee, Lakay, Hooford.
Reform School—Abbott, O'Keefe, Rodgers, Eldred, Lakay, Washburn.
Reform School for Girls—Douglass, Watson H., Goodrich, Washburn, Engleman.
Religious and Benevolent Societies—Thompson, Damah, Allen, Stuart, Robinson, J. W.
Roads and Bridges—McCormick, Spencer, Robinson R., Simpson, Powers.
Rules and Joint Rules—Spencer, Houch, Watson F. H., Dunbar, Prentiss, McKee, Crocker.
State Capitol and Public Buildings—Greenell, Anderson, Watts, Abbott, Baldwin, Win.
State House of Correction—Bettinger, Dickema, McCormick, Hunt, Breen.
State Library—Simpson, VanOrtwhick, Dickson, Spencer, Harper.
State Police—McKee, Kelly, Greenell, Dillon, Bentley, McKee.
State Public School—Hoaglin, Van Ortwhick, A. T. Case, Reader, Cady.
State School for Blind—T. H. Williams, Bardwell, Brock, Powers.
Supplies and Expenditures—Damon, Bates, Canon, Eldred, Snow.
Towns and Counties—Chamberlain, Jones, Kallander, Perkins, Stuart.
University—McMillan, Perkins, Green, Watson F. H., Snow.
Ways and Means—Rumsey, Chapman, Greenell, Williams, W. W., Jones, Lincoln, Herrington.
Ypsilanti Asylum—Oviatt, Ogg, T. H. Williams, Baumgardner, Washburn.
Soldiers' Home—Dickson, Hunt, Cole, Manly, Rentz.

THE SENATE COMMITTEES.

Appropriations and Finance—Messrs. Moon, Sharp, Seymour, Hubbell, Gorman, Judson, Hubbell, J. W. Babcock, Sharp, Palmer.
Federal Relations—Palmer, Hubbell and O'Reilly.
State Affairs—Crosby, Atwood, Harshaw, University—Sharp, J. W. Babcock, Wisner.
Agricultural College—Mayo, Willits, Harshaw.
State Normal School—Monroe, Crosby, Barringer.
State Public School—Barton, Westgate, O'Reilly.
Education and Public Schools—Westgate, Howell, DeLoach.
State Reform School—Atwood, Holbrook, Roof.
State House of Correction—Palmer, Laing, Deyo.
State Police—Fox, Hubbell, Stark.
Asylum for the Insane—Hubbell, Potter, Gudenau.
Institution for the Deaf and Dumb—Moon, Giddings, Wisner.
Religious and Benevolent Societies—Westgate, Moon, Deyo.
Claims and Public Accounts—W. I. Babcock, Campbell, Gudenau.
Banks and Incorporations—Monroe, Laing, Roof.
Railroads—Seymour, Willits, Stark.
Cities and Villages—Edwards, Palmer, Barringer.
Mineral, Minerals and Mining Interests—Hubbell, J. W. Babcock, Roof.
Canals and River and Harbor Improvements—Campbell, Fox, Stark.
Printing—Giddings, Post, O'Reilly.
Constitutional Amendments—J. W. Babcock, Monroe, Mayo.
Military Affairs—Mayo, Sharp, Stark.
Insurance—J. W. Babcock, Post, Roof.
State Capitol and Public Buildings—Barton, Seymour, Gudenau.
Public Health—Howell, Moon, Deyo.
Public Lands—Atwood, Barton, Harshaw.
Immigration—Laing, Crosby, Gorman.
Geological Survey of the State—Seymour, Atwood, Barringer.
Agricultural Interests—Holbrook, Mayo, Barringer.
Medical Interest—Potter, Campbell, O'Reilly.
Saline Interest—Campbell, Giddings, Wisner.
Lumber Interest—Moon, W. I. Babcock, Harshaw.
Fisheries—Fox, Edwards, Gorman.
Counties and Townships—Post, Westgate, Gudenau.
Rivers and Bridges—Willits, Potter, Stark.
Expiring Laws—Sharp, Atwood, Barringer.
Rules and Joint Rules—Edwards, Monroe, Gorman.
Engraving and Enrollment—Giddings, Post, Gudenau.
Supplies and Miscellaneous Expenses—Crosby, Howell, O'Reilly.
Liquor Traffic—Edmunds, J. W. Babcock, O'Reilly.
Horticulture—Potter, Fox, Barringer.
School for the Blind—Holbrook, Westgate, Wisner.
Medical School for Girls—Post, Barton, Gorman.
Northern Asylum for the Insane—Willits, Edwards, Harshaw.
Labor—Laing, Campbell, Deyo.

Important.

When you visit or leave New York City have baggage, express and \$3 carrying hire, at the Grand Union Hotel, opposite Grand Central Depot.

MICHIGAN'S LOSS.

Prof. Olney, Professor of Mathematics in the University, Dies Suddenly.

Edward Olney, LL.D., Professor of Mathematics in the Michigan University for the past twenty-four years, was found dead in his bed at his home in Ann Arbor Sunday morning, the 10th inst. He had been in poor health for several years, so that he had been relieved to a large extent of his university work, but for the past few months he seemed to be regaining his old time health and vigor to some extent. Although he had complained slightly of dizziness the day before his sudden death, he was at work on his notes for the Sunday school lessons which he furnished the Christian Herald of Detroit. This was his last work, and his manuscript was found upon his desk. He slept in an upper room of his residence, and when his niece went to call him in the morning she received no response. He was found lying in the bed, and had evidently been dead some hours, as his body was cold.

An autopsy was held in the afternoon, conducted by Drs. Herman and Lupton, at which Drs. Vaughn and Palmer were also present. It was found that there was a general degeneration of the blood vessels of the body, and more particularly of the brain, so that death was caused by a failure of circulation.

Edward Olney was one of the best known of American mathematicians, and his reputation was well earned by hard work. He was born in Moreau, Saratoga county, N. Y., July 24, 1827. He was of English descent, one of his ancestors, Thomas Olney, coming over to this country as a follower of Roger Williams. When he was six years of age his father moved to Oakland county, Mich., and after a few months to Weston, Wood county, Ohio. Here the future mathematician received some instruction in log school houses, but he was early obliged to give up the idea of obtaining much knowledge in this way, and his time was required for labor upon the farm. After he was 15 years of age he received but six weeks' schooling. This he obtained by hiring a boy to drive his ox team while he went to a school nearly three miles distant. In those six weeks he mastered "Day's algebra." At the same time he taught an evening arithmetic school at home to earn enough money to pay the boy he had hired. After this his studies were pursued alone. At 19 he was teaching district school and boarding around the district, meanwhile studying mathematics and Latin without a teacher. In two years more he was principal of the district school of the Union school in Perryburg, O. In 1851 he was appointed superintendent of this school, teaching Latin and higher English. His fame as a mathematician spread so that Madison university, N. Y., conferred the honorary degree of A. M. upon him. In 1853 he was made professor of mathematics in Kalamazoo college. In 1863 he was called to the same position in Michigan university. He, however, retained his interest in Kalamazoo college and was one of its trustees. While in Kalamazoo he owned and edited the Michigan Chronicle, a weekly paper. The Michigan Chronicle, "Practical Arithmetic," "First Principles of Algebra," "Complete Algebra," "Text Examples in Algebra," "University Algebra," "Elements of Geometry," "Elements of Trigonometry," and "General Geometry and Calculus."

Prof. Olney was a prominent member of the Baptist church and well known for his piety and work. From 1875 to 1879 he was President of the Baptist State Convention. It was largely through his influence that the present fine stone Baptist church in Ann Arbor was erected. "Pratt" was a man of very moderate means, he gave several thousand dollars towards its erection, and in order that it might be free from debt he mortgaged his house for the same purpose. He was a great lover of his religious work for young men and young women. In every good work he was foremost.

He was the fourth oldest professor in the university in term of service and was a great favorite with the students. Everybody with whom he came in contact became attached to him. He leaves a wife and an adopted daughter.

Michigan Man Missing.

A great deal of excitement exists in Kalamazoo over the mysterious disappearance of James S. Andrews, a prominent young business man of Kansas City, formerly confidential clerk and bookkeeper for D. C. & H. C. Reed & Co., in Kalamazoo. He was agent of the Jackson Wagon Works, the Briggs & Enoch Manufacturing company and the Norwegian Flow works of Kansas City, with headquarters at the latter place. November 5 he started on a business trip through Kansas. For the first few days his wife received letters from him regularly, but they ceased coming about November 11, since when she has heard nothing of him. He was in Wichita November 16, leaving there that day bound east. His contract case was found at St. Louis, Mo., and there all trace ceased. His domestic relations were very happy, and his accounts being straight his friends believe that he was foully dealt with. He was a prominent Knight Templar, and the commanderies throughout the Union have been notified, but thus far without avail.

STATE NEWS CONDENSED.

Alex. Crawford, a well known Duluth iron manufacturer, has received notice that by the death of a cousin named Jas. Thompson, in Ballarat, Australia, a fortune of over \$1,000,000 has been left to him and his four brothers, giving them each nearly \$250,000.

A bill for a public building at Jackson has been favorably reported to the house. The senate non-concurs in the action of the house in selecting East Saginaw as the place for locating the United States court. If the government will build a harbor of refuge at that point, Ludington will donate a strip of land for the purpose.

Owosso merchants have formed an association to guard against dead-beats and shop lifters.

Citizens of Big Rapids having subscribed \$10,000 in stock, meeting has been called to convert the Crocker & Redmiff planing mill into a furniture manufacturing company, with a capital stock of \$50,000.

The state board of health held a meeting at Lansing on the 11th inst. The president read an address, the chief nature of which was in relation to the disposal of sewage in cities which have no sewerage system and in rural towns. The president urged the board to take some action in the matter.

Charles Fitch of Paw Paw has been appointed clerk of the United States district court for the western district of Michigan, in the stead of H. M. Hind-dill, resigned.

John G. Crombie, a pioneer of Pontiac died while sitting in a chair in his store the other morning.

Bronson Catholics will rebuild their church which was burned the other night.

The executive committee of the state fair association has decided to hold this year's fair at Jackson, provided the local society will make certain repairs before August 1st.

W. E. Hunting, a well known traveling man, died suddenly at Grand Rapids the other day.

The Helling silk factory will not be running before April.

The iron bridge over the river at Blissfield gave way with a crash the other day. One man was seriously injured.

The third annual meeting of the Michigan Dairyman's Association occurs in Flint February 15, 16 and 17. All persons interested in the subjects to be discussed are cordially invited to attend.

The Canadian Pacific railroad company has issued tenders for the construction of the Algoma branch extension, distance of 80 miles, from Algoma mills to Sault Ste. Marie. The clearing of the road has already commenced and will be completed by March 1 by terms of contract. The laying of the rails is to be finished about the middle of next August. The contract for a bridge across the Sault has not yet been let.

President Fitzgerald of the Irish league has issued an address in which he states the affairs of the league, are in a very flourishing condition, and urges the friends of the cause to renewed zeal and earnestness.

Gen. Edward Clark of Ann Arbor, 80 years old, was the adopted son of Okama, chief of the Pottawatomie Indians. During the Black Hawk war Clark performed some trifling act of kindness in Okama's interests, and the latter immediately took the lad into his family to fill a vacancy caused by death.

A rather odd man, giving his name as William Gibson, has been arrested at St. Ignace on suspicion of being implicated in the Crounch tragedy of Jackson. He has been working in the lumber woods near St. Ignace, and is said to have talked of the tragedy in such a manner that he was arrested by sheriff Paquin.

During 1896 there were treated at the university hospital 1,083 patients, and only nine deaths occurred.

The gallant Twenty-first Michigan regiment held a reunion in Grand Rapids on the 15th inst., and 166 veterans from different counties were present, fighting over their battles in story, reminiscences, songs and renewal of old acquaintances. Maj. A. B. Long of Ionia delivered a very able address, eulogizing the members for their bravery during the days of war, and the good feeling exhibited between officers and men. His remarks were loudly cheered, after which the election followed, which resulted as follows: Wm. B. McCreery re-elected president for life, and Eber Rice secretary and treasurer. One vice president each from the counties of Ionia, Barry, Kent, Ottawa, Muskegon, Montcalm and Newaygo.

Gov. Lucas announces the appointment of Mrs. R. Grosvenor of Monroe, and Robert Burns of Kalamazoo, as members of the board of trustees of the Michigan asylum for the insane.

Mrs. Susan Brown, a colored woman of Adrian, dropped dead in the Second Baptist church of that city. She was under the influence of the "power," when she suddenly dropped to the floor, dead.

A bill is before congress petitioning for the extension of the patent on the spring tooth harrow. Should the bill pass it will cost the farmers of Michigan considerable money.

W. T. Hicox, a well known citizen of Flint is dead.

Daniel Lyle, president of the Dowagiac city bank, and a pioneer of Cass county, is dead.

At the annual meeting of the state equal suffrage association, Mrs. Mary L. Doe of Lansing was re-elected president. Mrs. Giles B. Stebbins of Detroit and Mrs. Emory of Lansing vice-presidents. Mrs. S. W. Fowler of Manistee secretary, and Mrs. E. B. Ketcham of Grand Rapids treasurer.

Susan B. Anthony delivered an address to an audience in representatives' hall, and was warmly applauded throughout.

A decision has been rendered by the supreme court of the United States in the patent case of Stewart Harshorn, appellant, against the Saginaw Barrel company; appeal from United States circuit court of the district of Michigan. This was a suit to restrain the alleged infringement of two reissued patents and one original patent granted to the appellant for improvements in window shade rollers. The court holds that the two reissued patents are void and that the original patent has not been infringed. The decrees of the circuit court is therefore affirmed.

The Michigan Sickness and Accident association has been organized at St. Louis, with the following named directors: Hon. Jos. Paddock, Rev. Theo. Nelson, H. L. Wood, Dr. Stiles Kennedy, A. R. Wheeler. The charter provides for a weekly indemnity fund in case of sickness or accidents. Members will be assessed eighty cents monthly, and eighty per cent of the assessment will absolutely be set aside for this indemnity fund.

Daniel Sharret was instantly killed near Coopersville the other morning, by the roof of a shed caving in on him while he was getting fodder for his cattle.

The Rev. A. M. Fitch, an old and widely known M. E. minister of this state, and at one time Indian agent for Michigan, died at Albion a few days ago.

Prof. Arthur D'Armaud, a teacher of French in Kalamazoo and at Allegan and other places for years past, died at the asylum the other morning. He was doing a big business in New Orleans when the war broke out, but was pressed into the confederate service. He escaped to the union lines and served till the end of the war in a New York regiment.

Prosecuting Attorneys of Michigan will meet in Lansing on the 25th inst., for the purpose of formulating and suggesting to the legislature such laws as may be thought necessary for the conviction of criminals.

Abraham Cozens, a resident of Jonesville since 1830, is dead.

Senator Palmer has returned from Europe.

Chas. Mann, for cutting timber from government land, and James Larkin, for depositing obscene matter in the United States mails, have been held for trial in the United States court at Grand Rapids. Both men are from Menominee.

Gen. Cutcheon has made formal application for the establishment of free delivery service at Manistee and Muskegon.

The customs districts of Michigan and Superior in Michigan will not be abolished by the Breckenridge bill, the ways and means committee having decided to retain them.

Five prisoners escaped from the Wayne county jail on the 13th inst.

J. A. Culhain of Sault Ste. Marie is under arrest charged with using the mails for fraudulent purposes.

Kent county citizens will be asked to vote \$100,000 for a new court house at the spring election.

H. V. C. Hart, cashier of the Lenawee county savings bank, at Adrian, has been appointed administrator of the estate of the late ex Gov. Crosswell.

The Elk Rapids furnace went into blast June 17, 1885, and blew out Dec. 23, 1886, making 29,955 tons of iron, an average per day of fifty-five tons.

Elder Charles Monroe of Bronson, dropped dead recently, aged 84. He was a Methodist minister and had resided near Bronson since 1856, having preached the first sermon ever delivered in Bronson. Heart disease was the immediate cause of death.

Paul E. Perrault, book-keeper for the Joseph Bosch brewing company of Lake Linden, has been arrested for embezzlement. He is supposed to have stolen \$4,000, and was placed under \$2,000 bonds to await his examination.

Edward Eagleson has brought suit against the Detroit, Lansing & Northern railway for \$25,000 for an injury to his knee.

The Detroit & Rio Grande Live Stock company has filed its annual report, showing \$41,000 in real estate and \$59,165.36 in personality, with a capital of \$100,000 of which \$50,000 is paid in. R. A. Alger is the heaviest stockholder of the company.

Mrs. Emma McCaig of Port Huron, who shot her divorced husband Capt. McCaig, some months ago, has been acquitted. The jury gave an hour and 30 minutes. The verdict gives universal satisfaction.

A company has been organized in Grand Rapids to bore for oil, gas, salt or coal.

Hosea Pratt has commenced suit against Sydney L. Eastman of the lumber firm of Warner & Eastman of East Saginaw, for defamation of character. Pratt is a lumber inspector, and claims that Eastman made the public statement that he was guilty of dishonesty in making measurements for certain lumber dealers. Pratt wants \$10,000 from Mr. Eastman in consequence.

A protective tariff club has been formed in Grand Rapids.

Michael Hogan was killed by a snow plow on the Grand Rapids & Indiana road near Rockford. He was beastly drunk when last seen.

The governor has appointed the following county agents of the state board of corrections and charities: For Van Buren county, W. W. Hodge of South Haven; for Oceana county, Caleb Davis of Mears.

Parley G. Burton, for over 50 years a resident of Coldwater, is dead.

A broken rail on the T. & A. A. road three miles south of Ann Arbor caused an accident on the 15th inst. Four persons were seriously injured.

It has been decided to locate the depot of supplies for the new lighthouse district in Michigan at Harbor Springs. The appropriation for the purpose will be provided for in the sundry civil bill now in the senate committee.

DETROIT MARKETS.

WHEAT, White.....	82 @ 83 1/4
WHEAT, Red.....	81 @ 82 1/4
COAL per ton.....	37 @ 38 1/2
CLAY per ton.....	31 @ 32 1/2
CLOVER SEED per bag.....	4 25 @ 4 50
FEED per cwt.....	13 00 @ 13 25
BUCKWHEAT FLOUR per cwt.....	3 00 @ 3 25
BUCKWHEAT FLOUR per cwt.....	4 25 @ 4 50
Michigan roller.....	4 00 @ 4 25
Minnesota patent.....	4 75 @ 5 00
Minnesota bakers.....	4 00 @ 4 25
Michigan rye.....	3 25 @ 3 50
Minnesota rye.....	3 25 @ 3 50
APPLES, per bu.....	2 25 @ 2 75
PEARS, Picked.....	1 25 @ 1 50
PEARS, Unpicked.....	75 @ 1 00
BERRIES.....	12 @ 16
Butter.....	14 @ 16
CABBAGES per 100.....	1 75 @ 2 00
CHEESE per lb.....	10 @ 12
CHEESE per lb.....	10 @ 14
CRANBERRIES, per bu.....	10 @ 14
CUCUMBERS, per bu.....	10 @ 14
DRIED APPLES, per bu.....	4 00 @ 4 25
PRESSED HOPS, per cwt.....	4 00 @ 5 00
EGGS, per doz.....	10 @ 14
HONEY, per lb.....	12 @ 16
HOPS.....	32 @ 36
HAY, per ton, clover.....	8 00 @ 9 00
" " timothy.....	9 00 @ 10 00
MALT, per bu.....	2 50 @ 2 75
ONIONS, per bu.....	2 00 @ 2 25
POTATOES, per bu.....	40 @ 45
POULTRY—Chickens per lb.....	8 @ 9
Geese.....	9 @ 10
Turkeys.....	9 @ 10
Roosters, live, lb.....	3 @ 6
Foxes.....	4 @ 6
Spring Chickens.....	5 @ 6
Pigs.....	5 @ 6
Pigeons, per doz.....	1 00
PROVISIONS—Meat Pork.....	12 50 @ 12 75
Family.....	12 75 @ 13 00
Lard.....	7 @ 7 1/2
Land.....	10 @ 10 1/2
Shoulders.....	6 @ 6 1/2
Bacon.....	8 @ 8 1/2
Tallow per lb.....	3 @ 3 1/2

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Market steady and strong; shipping steers, of 600 to 1,500 lbs. \$1.35 @ 1.50; cows, bulls and mixed, stronger at \$1.80 @ 2.00; bulk, \$2.40 @ 2.60; Texas cattle, \$2.25 @ 2.50.